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Weather forecast for Fredericksburg and vicinity. Fair and moderate temper ature Saturday, light north

west winds. And now it is said that Sharkey is to

The anniversary of the adoption of the American flag was appropriately celebrated in a number of cities, last Wed-

fight Jeffries.

The Richmond correspondent of the Index-Appeal is authority for the statement that Congressman Jones has finally and absolutely declined to be a candidate for the U. S. Senate.

By a vote of a hundred and ninety six to a hundred and sixty-one, the British House of Commons has adopted an amendment to the London local government bill declaring women eligible to election as Aldermen and Coun-

The President has received an answer from Prof. Louis Haupt of Philadelphia relative to the criticisms ascribed to him in a newspaper interview concerning the Nicarague canal commission

of the interview. He says that he never uttered such sentiment and never thought them. The Evening Telegraph of Philadelphia, which published it, declares that he uttered every word of it.

men-of-war captured from the Chinese in the late war between the two counneighbor from the inroads of the powers. It is said that the only requirement to be made is that China invest so many under Japanese direction. And this shows wisdom as well as generousity.

According to a partial canvass of the national democratic committee, made by the Chicago Times-Herald, the silver compaign of 1896, will be equally so in the campaign of 1900. In answer to inquiries sent out by that paper all the committeemen from whom replies were received, save only the representative from Maine, declared unequivocally platfrom of 1896. Replies were received from Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and New York. Campbell, of New York, was noncommittal.

Some time ago it was announced that the census supervisor from the First Congressional District of Virginia was to be a Democrat. This seemed to The Free Lance strange, in view of the fact that Dr. Geo. T. Scarborough, of Accomae, who was an applicant, was a Mc-Kinley delegate to St. Louis in '96, and The Free Lance expressed the belief that Dr. S. would not be turned down, and now it is announced that Dr. S. is to be appointed, and so is R. R. Campbell, of Warrenton, both good men.

A young woman of a well-to do family in Hariem, a part of New York city, has been cured of appendicitis in a new and easy way, and is rejoicing that she has escaped the use of the surgeon's knife. The patient was 20 years of age. She had been under the care of two physicians, one of whom had attended her family for years. The second physician, who had been called to attend her, pronounced her trouble appendicitis, and said that an operation with the knife must be performed, if her life was to be saved. She determined to exhaust every other treatment before submitting to the knife. Several weeks ago it is said that a well-known osteo path was called to see her. The treatment which he applied was, in brief,

Placing one hand on the point on the outer surface of the abdomen beneath which the vermiform appendix is known to be, with the other he grasped the right leg of the patient at the knee. To the leg, by a quick movement, he gave a slight twist, repeating it several times. And that was all there was of the oper The effect of this forced muscular action was to squeeze out of the sppendix the particles which were clog-

Touching the proposition to choose U. S Senators by primaries in Virginia

or to nominate them by a state convention, The Richmond Times says:

"The impression prevails, as we have said, that the whole movement was conceived in a spirit of antagonism to Senator Martin and that its object was to defeat him for the Senate There-fore it was but natural, and we are frank to say so, that Senator Martin's friends should have fought the movement in the beginning and they should have fought it to the end, even to the extent of defeating the proposal. But a large majority of the Demoorats of the State lost interest in the May Confer-ence when they got it into their heads that the conference was called in the interest of men and not of measures, and Senator Martin's friends in the Committee refused to vote for a con vention because they regarded the ap-plication therefor as coming distinc-tively from Senator Martin's opponents the granting of which would be constructed as a blow aimed at the junior Senator.

We say that all this has hurt the cause, and we are sorry. There will be no primary next time, if Senator Daniel is alive, so we may not look for any serious agitation of this subject in Virginia for the next six years

The Dispatch says:

ting convention.

"We reiterate our faith in its ulti-mate success.—i e. Nominating U. S. Senators by Democratic conventions in Virginia. A State Democratic conven-tion meets in Virginia next year, and when it come to framing a platform we doubt not that then and there Democartic opinion again will be challenged on the subject. Meanwhile, 'the home-rule' plan may be invoked in any county or city where the voters are divided in opinion as to whom their mem-bers of the Legislature should support for the Senate. And if occasion re-quires, this method probably will be promptly and generally resorted to, since our State Committee has pointed

The Times, it will be observed, regards the matter as ended, certainly for the present. The Dispatch seems disposed to agitate it. The people of Virginia evidently view the situation as the Times does, and regard it as an incident that is closed.

it out as perferable to a State nomina-

The New York Journal of Commerc presents an estimate, or guess, of the amount of American stocks and bonds returned to this country since January I, 1898. In the first half of 1898 the amount returned, it is estimated, was \$115,000,000; in the last half \$145,000,000.

In the first half of 1899 the returned securities aggregate \$115,000,00 These securities were to a large extent, it is supposed, sent in payment of the recent large excess of our exports. Gilt-edged investments as well as spec-ulative holdings have been parted with.

Foreigners are afraid of American railway securities. It is no doubt largely these securities that have been sent back to America. As soon as the present good times are over, following the past, it may be in order to look out for The professor's reply is a repudiation railway failures and reorganizations.

The Free Lance takes special interes

in noticing the success of those, within its circulation among the voing gentlemen and young ladies who distinguish A well-authenticated story comes institutions, and of these it makes menfrom Japan to the effect that all of the tion as far as possible. It seems that young Mr. Gustavus B Wallace, of Stafford, has accomplished the unusual tries are to be returned to the Chinese success of being graduated this year at government. This is part of the pol the University of Virginia, not only in the law, but as Master of Arts. Mr. Havemeyer said the American Company was capitalized for much less than it was worth. But for the committeemen and State chairmen. The University of Virginia, not only in the University of Virginia, not only in Mr. Havemeyer said the American Company was capitalized for much less than it was worth. But for the committeemen and State chairmen. The workmen in the sewer-ditches were prostrated. One of them was raving crazy for some requested by Senators, Members, national committeemen and State chairmen. ture will be watched with interest. The Free Lance tenders him its sincere congratulations and best wishes.

Prof. Ernest Mas, of New York, formerly chemical expert of the Glucose Sugar Refining Company, of Chicago testified before the Industrial Commis-sion this week that when he refused to sign a protest to Congress against the passage of the Mason pure-food bill the company stopped his salary, though he had a five-year contract.
"I did not consider," the witness

said, "that it was the duty of a chemist to attempt to influence legislation and I did not find myself prepared to say, as I was requested, that glucose was as desirable a food as sugar; that fluorine is as good as wheat flour, or that the corn oil substitute for rubber is as good as Brazilian rubber."

Mr. Mas expressed the conviction that the Glucose Trust was a branch of the Sugar Trust, and said that the price of glucose had doubled as soon as the trust had been formed, as had also some of the by-products, such as corn oil. VALUE OF GLUCOSE TRUST'S PLANT.

He estimated the plant of the Glucose Trust to be worth \$6,000,000, whereas it is capitalized at \$40,000,000. He said the substitutes made were not as good as the articles for which they were used, and he believed the time would ome when sugar would be brought into he United States from the West Indies and sold as cheaply as glucose is now.

Corn oil, he said, was frequently blended with or substituted for other oils, such as cod liver, olive, linseed, poppy, and cottonseed oils, cheapening all of them. Vulcanized it was used for rubber. The sale of this article last year amounted to \$1,700,000. last year amounted to \$1,700,000.

As a remedy against trusts he sug-gested governmental inspection and an nternal revenue tax on the product.

Porterfield Injunction Dismissed. Justice Cox, in Equity Court No. 1, in Washington, Thursday, dismissed the injunction in the case of William M. Cooper against William A. Porterfield and others, members and receiv-ers of the defunct brokerage firm of William A. Porterfield & Co. The bond of \$6,000 required from the receivers was also ordered canceled. By sixty days in which to complete

testimony in the case. Waterspout in Texas.

St. Louis, Mo. June 15.—A special to the Republic from San Antonio, Tex. says: "A cloud burst occurred in the mountains north of Spofford Junction Tuesday night, about midnight. The volume of water rushed down thing before it and converting dry arroyos and small creeks and rivers into raging torrents and completely flooding the valley and level country below."

Mobs in Cleveland attacked non-union nen who were running street cars in

Hon, Wm. A. Anderson has been Hon. Wm. A. Anderson has been elected Chairman of the Senatorial Reform League and L. O Garnett, of Mathews, secretary. Mr. Anderson will soon call another meeting. Rooms have been rented in Richmond for the use of the league until November.

tend the commencement exercises of Mount Holyoke College, at South Hadley, where their niece, Miss Grace Mc-Kinley, will graduate. The trip will cocupy from ten days to two weeks,

Hav mayor on the Sugar Trust. Before the Industrial Commission at

Washington on Wednesday last Mr. Havemeyer, of New York, testified. Mr. Havemeyer was asked if the sugar trust was now manufacturing at a loss. 'I decline to answer,' was his reply.
'That is a matter for the American Sugar Refining Company alone " His other utterances, however, indicated that the company was losing money, ' he said, "we tried to defy com petition by keeping down prices, and we have not succeeded." He spoke of

the competition at another time as being "dangerous and ruinous". After one of his references to losing money, he was asked how the trust could pay dividends if it was not making profits Mr. Havemeyer gave one of his charac-teristic churkles. "Oh," he replied, teristic chu kles. "Oh," he replied "that is a simple matter for the direct tors to decide. We can take it out of the surplus or we can borrow it. Our oredit is good.

BUILT UP BY PROTECTION. "But how long can you keep that

process going :"
Mr. Havemeyer chuckled again and threw his hands over his head. "That is the problem for everybody," he said. "You can buy or sell our stock if you Another question and answer will be

heard from in the next campaign. It Q -By Mr. Livingston-Was the sugar refining industry built up under free trade or protection? A.—Protec-

tion; enormous protection.

The customs tariff, he declared was the "mother of all trusts," becom-ing such by providing "an inordinate protection to manufactured articles."
He asserted that a tariff of 10 per cent.
was as high as any tariff should be. He
cantended that sugar is discriminated.
Post: against in the tariff in the interest of the Louisiana cane growers, the sugar makers, and sugar growers of the Hawaiian Islands. The protection on sugar amounted to only one-eighth of a cent a pound, or about 31, per cent. ad valorem. It ought to be twice as much, What the sugar refining business

has paid or is paying represents noth-ing more than an adequate return on the capital invested," he said. The United States tariff bill, in as-essing about \$10 per ton duty, on imported sugar, pays into the pockets of a few Louisianians on their annual crop, 50,000 ton \$10,000,000 to the Hawaiian islanders, probably represented by 15 foreigners, on their annual crop of 250, 300 tons, \$10,000,000; say 100,000 tons produced elsewhere in the United States \$4,000,000.

'Here you have \$24,000,000 extracted from the people of the United States for the sake of getting the revenue which \$40 per ton on foreign sugar provides. This is merely illustrative of the whole tariff-every line of and its effect upon the people. In fact, the tariff bill clutches the people by the throat, and then the Governors and the Attorney Generals of the several States take action not against the cause, but against the machinery which the people employ to rifle the public's pockets.

What Congress should have done was to have put an internal revenue tax on the American production of sugar. The representations made in Congress c accrning the trust, he declared, was untrue, and if it was a fact that the people suffered from trusts they must blame the protective tariff system, of which the trusts were merely the machinery. No advantage had ever been taken by his company of the protect-ive system beyond the one-eighth of a

He admitted freely that the company d all possible to advance its own bus-less interests. "Capital and labor," he stated, "would all adjust them-selves if let alone. The only way to prevent competion, Mr. Havermeyer testified, was to keep prices at a minimum-not necessarily in the interest of the consumer, but as a matter of He referred to the antipremium on dishonesty-specifying the

clamor against trusts," he said, "i ization. Yet he thought the refineries could be duplicated for \$35,000,000 or \$40,000,000. The present capacity of the trust is, he said, 45 000 barrels a day, and the output 30,000. He thought the trust was refining about 90 per cent of the sugar refined in the United

The late drop in the price of sugar had been caused by the starting of new refineries which had threatened to take 50 per cent. of the business. "It was a part of our policy to put prices down and let the opposition take the result, whatever it may be. Every sale made by the opposition displaces so much of American Company's product," he said. "We must protect our own busisaid. "We must protect our own ousi-ness." Mr. Havemeyer then went on to say that what the company did it did not do for motives of philanthropy —that it had its own shareholders to Anybody can buy our stock. the public owns the stock. But I doubt whether any one would want any of the stock of the independent refineries.'

ELEVEN THOUSAND STOCKHOLDERS

"How many stockholders have you?" asked Prof. Jenks.
"About 11,000," he replied, and added, "enough to take Cuba, and they would take it if they could." The latter remark was made in a light vein. He stated as his opinion that the Cuban sugar should be brought in free of duty, and that this course would bring refined sugar down to 3 cents a pound. Speaking of the coffee business, Mr Havemeyer said he was in the business and in it to stay.

A Negre Turning White

From the New York Press In slavery days Susquehanna and Wayne counties had many stations of the "underground railroad" for slaves escaping from the south to Canada Among the slaves to escape was Tom Harris, who was owned by Colonel Harris of Culpeper, Va. As soon as war was declared Tom returned from Canada to Wayne county, where he has since lived, doing odd jobs on

When Tom came to Wayne county he was as black as the "ace of spades," but for the last three years white spots have appeared upon his person, and to day he is more than two-thirds white. the terms of the decree dismissing the Each succeeding white spot is larger injunction the complainant is given and whiter than the one preceding and their coming is accompanied by intense pain and itching. Tom's hair, once twisted and 'kinky,' is gradually straightening, and he expresses the be-lief that before long he will be 'as white as any man in Wayne county." Tom's singular transformation is intersting the scientists of the state.

Death of Congressman Bland. Lebanon, Mo., June 15.—Congress-man Richard Parks Bland died at his home near this city this morning, after a long illness. He was suffering from cerebral congestion and nervous prostra-tion, together with catarrh of the stomach. Ever since last winter when he was attacked by grip at Washington. Mr. Bland has been more or less ill. Richard Parks Bland was a prominent

candidate for the Democratic nominaion in 1896, when Bryan was hardly regarded as among the possibilities. He had gained the pre-eminence by his nuswerving championship of silver for more than twenty years in and out of The President and Mrs. McKinley left Washington yesterday evening for "Silver Dick" by his political friends Holyoke, Mass., where they go to ataccommencement exercises of calling him "Silver Dollar Bland." Congress. Because of his partiality for the white metal he was nicknamed

Republicans Will Probably Gat No. Revenue Offices.

The Washington correspondent of the Richmond Dispatch writes that paper

"Collectors Agnew and Brady are flooded with applications for the posi-tions of deputy collector, gauger and tions of deputy collector, gauger and storekeeper in their respective districts, understood to be made vacant by the recent order of the President's. There will be grievous disappointment among Republican applicants for these posi-tions. Oolonel Brady, speaking of the effect of the recent civil order of the President's in relation to the internal revenue service, said that 'the princi-ple for which he had so long contended -namely, the right of collectors to ap-point their deputies-was conceded. As a matter of fact, however, there was little or no present advantage resulting from the order. No appointment of deputy collector can be made unless the applicant successfully passes an exam-ination conducted by the Civil Service Commission, under regulations pre-scribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. Storekeepers and gaugers whose offices pay \$500 and over per annum are still in the classified service, and apregular list of eligibles furnished by the Civil Service Commission. As to the position of storekeeper and gauger paying less than \$500 per annum, an applicant can only be appointed after he has passed examination by the Civil Serpreparation at the Treasury Department, and will be issued in a few days.

On the same subject, Col. Brady is thus quoted by the Washington, D. C.

"Speaking of the President's recent t of Internal Revenue at Richmond, Va., says it was absolutely without political advantage, so far as the appointment of deputy collectors, gaugers and storekeepers is concerned. a man for a deputy, ' he said, has got to undergo and pass a civil ser vice examination before he can be ap-pointed. I know a man in Virginia, a capable lawyer, whom I would like to appoint as a deputy, but he would probably fail to answer a lot of foolish que tions, and he will not run the risk rejection. I have been doing internal revenue work for twenty-five years, and believe I know the duties thoroughly, yet I doubt if I could pass a messenger's examination.

" 'As for gaugers and storekeepers,' continued Col. Brady, 'if they get over \$500 a year they are still in the classified service. If they receive less than \$500 they can be named by the collector, but do not escape the civil service examination. I do not see where the collector who is really desirous of giving places to Republicans can find much comfort in the President's order. ' ' ----

Census Appointments. The Washington, D. C., Times of

Thursday says: The ten thousand or more applications

for appointment in the Census Bureau now on file have become practically worthless. All persons who are taking a special course of study with the view of entering the lists for examination to secure an appointment in the Census Office are losing valuable time and An applicant bearing a letter from a

An appareant bearing a letter from a promin-nt Senator, appeared at the Census Bureau this morning and presented it to the proper official. The letter was conched in language complimentary to the ability of its bearer and in conclusion remarked that the writer would be pleased if the Census officials could do anything for the person in whose behalf it was written. Nothing was said in the communication, how-from now. ever, concerning the appointment of its possessor as one of the quota allowed to the Senator who had written it. It was stated at the Bureau that, on this account, the appointment could not be

the appointments to be charged to their quota, will be designated for examina-tion, which, it is asserted, will be noncompetitive. This will prove a sever shock to many men and women wh for the past few months have been preparing themselves for an examination presuming that if they made a high average it would secure them an ap-pointment under the bureau. Juswhen they thought they saw a faint glimpse of an office that pays, Directo Merriam announces that 2,000 appoint ments are to be distributed pro among Senators, Members, national committeemen, and State chairmen Each of these gentlemen will have the naming of a specified number of ap-pointees The appointees designated will, it is said, be notified by the Di-rector of the Census to appear for a non-competitive examination, after which the appointment will issue. This system, it is claimed, will have the effect of checking the filing of applica tions which up to date have taken the time of several clerks to docket and ac-knowledge. It is also claimed to be in

The Philippines.

A communication, dated New York and signed "Cavalryman," dealing with the situation in the Philippines. has appeared in the Tribune of that city. The writer expressed serious concern for the American troops in the archipelago, and closes with these words:

'Five times, we are informed, have towns in the Philippines been captured by our troops with loss of life and five times evacuated because we could not hold them, and the friendly natives who gave us aid were mas-acred by the returning insurgents. Our enemies are encouraged because we cannot hold the places we take, and our men, exhausted by their hard campaigns in an un healthful climate, will be dying by the hundreds. Yet, in spite of all, the President of the richest nation on earth. with power to raise 35,000 men. old army, these men fighting against fearful odds and disadvantages are our comrades in arms; if we cannot give voices in earnest protest against the sacrifice of the health and the lives of our brave lads of the army, and urge President McKinley to send them the they should have had months ago.

Single Taxers Defeated by One Vote in the Michigan Legislature.

Lansing, Mich., June 15.-Applica tion of the single tax to Michgan cities has escaped enactment by the Michigan Legislature by only one vote. A bill providing for submission to the people of any city of the proposition to assess
city taxes upon the land values, upon
petition of 20 per cent. of the taxpayers
of the city, which had passed the
Senate, was defeated in the House by a vote of 50 yeas to 41 nays, 51 being a majority of the members-elect It is understood that Gov. Pingree would have signed the bill had it passed. Single tax advocates are elated over the large vote the bill received, compared with that obtained for similar measures in

Newport News is to have a market house costing \$30,000

A dispatch has been received of the death by drowning of J. Edward Mer-chant, of Branchville, S. O., formerly of Prince William county, last Wednes-day. Mr. Merchant and a friend were bathing in the Edisto river, near Branchville, and in an effort to save LOUDOUN COUNTY

An Interesting Election Case Decision.

esting election case, the first of the kind, was decided by Judge R. H. Tebbs in the County Court Tuesday. In the Lovettsville District E L Potterfield -- Grubb were candidates for Commissioner of the Revenue. Pot-terfield was the registrar of the district He was elected, receiving 1,000 votes, while Grabb, received but 250 votes. Grubb contested the election on the ground that Potterfield, being registrar, was ineligible. The court decided that the election was void. In announcing his decision Judge Tebbs added that, in making the ap-pointment to fill the vacancy thus occur ring, it was impossible for him to ap-point Mr. Potterfield, who was ineligi-ble for election; that Mr. Grubb was clearly not the choice of the people, and that he would tender the office to Mr. Samuel Brooks, who ran close to Mr. Potterfield in the Democratic primary, as he believed if Mr. Potterfield's inceligibility had been known, Mr. Brooks would have been the choice of the peple of the district.

Supervisors of Census.

The census supervisors for Virginia as agreed upon on Thursday at a con-ference between Senators Daniel and Martin, representing the Democrats and State Chairman Agnew, Col. J. D. vice Commission, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. These regulations are in course of the Republicans, will be found below. should have the First, Third, Eighth, Ninth and Teath and the Democrats the Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh districts Later in the day, Senator Daniel and Chairman Agnew called upon Director Merriam and subnitted the list, who will be appointed: First-Dr. God T. Scarbrough, Account

th-C. M. Hurt, Franklin (Bemserat) th-C C Carrington, Halifax Democrat centh-John M. Steck, Winehester Oen

Ninth - G. W. Blankenship, Lee (Reputs Tenth R. T. Hubbard, Buckingham elle

The vacancy in the Second District will be filled by Senator Martin. It is said there will be 400 enumerators in Virginia, of which 200 will be given to each party.

Jones, Lamb and Rixey are left out in the cold. Of the Republicans, Dr. Scarborough of the First District, and R. T. Hubbard, of the Tenth, are the best known. Col. Hubbard was formerly District Attorney, and ran for Congress last fall, but was defeated by Quarles. Mr. Sneed, of the Third Dis-trict, though credited to Richmond, is

thought to be Chapman P Sneed, a well-to-do citizen of King William. Mr. Campbell, of Warrenton, is a leader in his section, and is the son-inlaw of Col. J. S. Mosby, and Mr. Blankinship, of Lee county, is a mem-ber of the State committee. Francis R Lassiter, of Petersburg, is Chairman of his district, was formerly District Attorney, and was a candidate for At-torney General before the Roanoke con-

Hopes Jeffetes Will be L. ked. Les Angeles, Cal., June 16,-In Les Angeles, Cal., June 10,—In a street sermon last evening the Rev. Mr. Jeffries, father of the puglilistic champion, expressed the wish that his son would soon be whipped.

"Jim's no worse than the rest of you," said the champion's father.

"He'll keep up his devilment till he gets licked and then he'll come to sail.

gets licked and then he'll come to sal-Nothing he was going to fight three minutes

Heat at Newport News.

Newport News, Va , June 15 -In the shade, 96 degrees, and in the sun 116 degrees, registered the thermometer of the entire force at the ship-yard quit word, and a number of workmen "knocked-off" this afternoon. The exeme heat prostrated several horses

Purchase By a College. Farmville, Va , June 15.—Today the Board of Trustees of Hampden-Sidney College purchased the property formerly occupied and owned by the Union Thelogical Seminary and located next to the college campus. The price paid was \$10,000 and the property was valued at \$91,000. No action was taken y the board in regard to the removal

The Maryland Campaign.

Senator Gorman is in the fight and will take an active part in the Maryland campaign. His friends are outspoken, and say they will put the State in Dem-ocratic column this year to get Tammany's support for him for President,

Sone to Caufer With Aguinaldo. Madrid, June 15. - In the chamber of Deputies today Gen. Polavieja an-nonneed that the Spanish commission at Manila had gone to confer with Aguinaldo regarding the Spanish pris-oners in the hands of the Filipinos.

Mr. P. Ketcham, of Pike City, Cal. ays: "During my brother's late sick ss from sciatic rheumatism, Chamedy that gave him any relief " M thers have testified to the prompt lief from pain which this liniment affords. For sale by M. M. Lawis, Drug-

A kindling wood company will locate a plant at Norfolk which will give em-

France, on Thursday.

The El Rio and El Amico, under construction at the Newport News ship-yard for the Morgan Steamship Line, will be launched June 24. Mr and Mrs James Nichols have

sent out cards for the marriage of their daughter, Katharine Louise, to Mr. Walter George Scott, the ceremony to occur on June 28th, at Mt. Calvary Episcopal church, Round Hill, Loudonn county, Virginia. The Gallego Corn Mills and four or

five manufacturing sites adjoining in Richmond have been sold to Mr. Richard H. Meade, for \$35,000. It is understood that there are several persons associated with him. Valuable water rights go with the property. The sale does not include the Gallego Flouring A P. Hill Camp, Sons of Confederate

Veterans, has been organized in Peters-burg, and officers elected. James P Blanks was made commander. camp starts out with about fifty mem-At the recent commencement at Lo-

enst Dale Academy, Mr. Eugene Y Willis, of Lignum, Va., carried off two medals—one for mathematics and the other for scholarship. The medal for the best drilled capet was won by Mr. J. Tate Mason, of Orange, Va., The Old Dominion Line steamship

Old Dominion, when ontward bound Tuesday night from Richmond in passing the inward bound steamer Pocato the inward to close inshore and struck a ledge of rock. The big ship pulled off immediately and proceeded, but when a mile and a-half further down the river her captain discovered day. Mr. Merchant and a friend were bathing in the Edisto river, near Branchville, and in an effort to save his friend from drowning lost his life water in her forward compartment.

In there was a large note in her hull took command of the Asiatic equation, relieving Capt. Barker of the Oregon, was making water. He then ran her who has been in charge since Admirst Dewey sailed from Manila. Capt. Barker will return to the United States.

Richmond College.

At Richmond College commencement this week the academic orator was Mr. A. J. Hall, of Culpeper. Leesburg, Va., June 15 -An inter Mr Hall delivered a fine address on Longfellow, the poet. The young ora-tor is one of the M A scholars of this

DEGREES AWARDED.

These degrees were awarded: Master of Arts—A. J. Hall, Colpeper Bachelor of Law-Huater Miller, Madison; O. S. Moneure, Caroline; S. F. Perry, Culpeper; B. H. West, Han-over, and Harry T. Tyler, Caroline BACHELOR OF ARTS.

Those receiving the degree of Bache-Those feculting the degree of Bache-lor of Arts are: Claybrook Cottingham, Lancaster; J. Alfred Garrett, Londoun; Fred Gochnano, Fauquier; Henry Mar-tin, Caroline; John W. Morgan, S. L. Morgan, Culpeper; Rob O. Norris, Jr., Lancaster: C. O. Pearson, Richmond

The degree of Bachelor of Science goes to Miss Luia Winston, of Missis stppt

Among who received the B. L. prizes are C. S. Moneure, third prize Caroline.

Richmond College this week the "Tar-ner" medal for Greek was awarded to Charles E Pearson, of Richmond

Among those mentioned as proficient

French-Edgar L Allen, King and Queen county; William C Powell, Loudoun; N. Courtrice Scott, Henrico; Carrie C Timberlake, Hanover. German-M. Herman Belote, North-ampton county; John G. Broaddus, Oaroline county; Carrie C. Timberlake, Hanover; W. Northam Trader, Math-

Experimental Physics - Claybrook Cottingham, Lancaster; Robert W. Durrett, Spotsylvania; Frank W. Gwath mey, Louisa; Willis E. Lowe, Prince William; Richard C. L. Moneure, Wes Virginia; John W. Morgan, Culpeper Samuel L. Morgan, Culpeper; Robert O. Norris, Jr., Lancaster.

STUDY OF LAW. Department of Law-Frederick W

Joleman Caroline; L. Conway Hazle grove, Hanover. Constitutional and International Law
-Frederick W. Coleman, Caroline
Evidence-Frederick W. Coleman,

OTHER DISTINCTIONS. The following were distinguished at both examinations in English Bible: Oscar W. Anderton, Middlesex: W. Woodson Bloxom, Accomac; Carlie C. Davis, Caroline; John W. Kincheloe,

Fairfax. At the banquet Friday night the Alumini and the graduating class of Richmond College met at Murphy's Hotel.

The following among other members of the class appeared at the feast in their gowns: H. T. Tyler, of Prince William; Edward S. Perry, of Culpeper; Orlando S. Monoure, of Caroline; Hunter Miller, of Madison.

Mr. H. T. Tyler, was followed. Mr. H. T. Tyler was followed by Historian Miller. Toasts were responded to by Moneure and others.

Spanish-American Items

The Americans captured the Zapote bridge, south of Mauila, after a hard fight on Wednesday. It is estimated that 100 Filipinos and 10 Americans were killed. The Filipinos have re-treated southward. The scene of the next battle in Luzor is expected to be at Imus, south of the

Spanish prisoners who have escaped from the Filipinos say the native army has retreated from Imus to the moun-

Gen. Otis estimates that in the recent fighting the Filipinos lost more than one-third of their army of 4,000 men

The Americans are distributing rice and beef to the needy natives in the listrict south of Manila. Cuban ex-soldiers at Guanajay as umed a threatening attitude in order o compel the major to give them guns o that they could get a share of the

American gratuity.
Lightning struck the American camp
at Manzanillo, Cuba, on Thursday and 15 cavalrymen were rendered uncon

scions. The natives are pouring into Baccor diers in plain clothes among them.

The Fourth Infantry and the Wyoming Regiment have been added to General Lawton's command. They were towed across the bay in cances to Pinas, preparatory to marching to Imus

Wenderful Kilmarneck Cat. Kilmarnock has a woulderful cat It lives in a family here where there is a little baby, and the cat has become so much in love with the baby, that it actually looks upon the baby a its own kitten and watches the child in its crib with as much solicitude as a human mother. When the baby whines or cries the cat imagines the kid is hungry, and off it starts to forest, field and swamp in search food for its pet. It brings the b many dainties and choice bits of food young and tender rabbits are caught in the nearby branches, and the car, swinging them over her shoulders, seeks the crib and insists that its little pet eat them, skin and all. Nice frogs are occasionally furnished for a change, and a few days ago the child's mother was terrified at finding the cat had brought in a new and unexpected dish. Entering the room where the baby slept, she found the cat by the side of the child, purring to awaken it, holding in one paw a gorgeous scorpion and gently stroking the child's face The opening session of the Venezuela arbitration tribunal was held in Paris cat will soon add to its menu, young and tender black snakes.—Chesapeake Watchman.

> Bogus Virginia Bonds. Boston, Mass., June 15.—Robert Jacobs, who is charged with the for-gery of \$20,000 worth of State of Virare alleged to be worthless, obtaining \$11,250 from Wm. H Carrie, of B ston, on 15 bonds of the face value of \$1,000 each, and \$6,000 from the First National Bank of Lynn, on eight bonds. Virginia which were recalled. Jacobs says he was given the bonds upon the death of a relative and supposed that they were genuine.
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> > Leesburg Camp.

Washington, June 15 .- Visitors from Washington were the main attraction today at Camp Ordway, near Leesburg, Va., where the District National Guard va., where the District National Guard is encomped In addition to Assistant Secretary of War Meiklejohn, General Miles, Commissioner Wight, Captain Whitney and Secretary Tindell, of the Board of Commissioners, there were many relatives and friends of the guards-

At the camp the visitors were enter tained with brigade review and dress parade. At the latter the guardsmen were given the prizes won during the shooting on the range and in the gallery. All the team trophies went to the Second Regiment.

Kong, and being on his own station took command of the Asiatic squadron, Hundreds of women and children are reported to be dying of starvation in East Africa, owing to a drought.

Some of Jones'

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FREDERICKSBURG COLLEGE,

Conduct of the War in the Philippines Severely Criticised. New York, June 15 — A Washington special to the "Evening World," says: "An official of the Administration speaking today of the situation in the Philippines said: General Otis, with 22,000 men, began an aggressive war-fare on February 5, near Manila, drove the insurgents many miles into the interior, and finally returned to Manila on June 10, with his forces depleted, and his army disheartened. He is now brought down with him a delegation of and his army disheartened. defending Manila, with the aid of the navy. In this campaign of nearly four months 241 men were killed, and 1,175 men wounded. The total casualties were 1,416. The list of sick soldiers

and those dying from disease has not yet been obtained, except approximately. Upward of 3 000 nave deal of abled and about 500 have died of 'The cost of the American campaign

has been \$1,000,000 each day, so that the total cost has been approximately \$120,000,000. Thus, it appears that General Otis marched up the hill and ginia bonds, was today held in \$5,000 bail until June 22 for a hearing Jacobs is charged with having obtained money by means of the bonds, which own beleaguerment and leave the insurthen marched down again, at terrible own beleaguerment and leave the insurgents masters of the greater portion of the island.

"The plain fact of the matter is that the situation of the American forces on the island of Luzon is deplorable, and the condition of the soldiers is pit-

The Commissioners in charge of the Colorado gold exhibit at the Paris Exhibition have decided on a solid gold nugget miniature of Pike's Peak of \$1,000,000 value. As a ton of gold is worth \$602,928.50 the nugget will weigh 1% tons. It will reach New York city under guard in a special car, thence the government will convey it to Paris. The exposition commissioners guaranteed its safe roturn. The ore of the nugget represents nearly all the big producers of the State, the Cripple Creek mines being in the lead.

Three thousand employes of the Trust smelters in Colorado are on strike to receive the same wages for eight hours as they received previously for nine hours'

An examination of the cruiser Albany, now approaching completion in a ship-building yard in England, shows the same defects in construction which, it is feared, make the New Orleans un-

Richmond on Monday night, says:

"Probably the happiest man in town
was Delegate Pilcher, of Fauquier. He
was denounced by some of his people
for voting for Martin six years ago. They said he should not come back to

FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA.

Can't Beat Pilcher

Index Appeal, speaking of those who attended the Democratic meeting in

The Richmond correspondent of the

Miraculous Benefit

monwealth's Attorney J. P. Jeffries, They all said no man in Fauquier could



E LI P. BABCOCK, of Avoca, N. Y., a veteran of the 3rd N. Y. Artillery and for thirty years of the Babcock & Munsel Carriage Co., of Auburn, says: "I write to express my gratitude for the miraclous benefit received from Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. I suffered for years, as resulted army life, from sciatica which affected my heart in the worst form, my limbs swelled from the ankles up. I bloated until I was unable to button my clothing; had sharp pains about the heart, smothering spells and shortness of breath. For three months was unable to lie down, and all the sleep I got was in an arm chair. I was treated by the best doctors but gradually grew worse About a year ago I commenced taking Dr Miles' New Heart Cure and it saved my life

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